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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SHOWA CORPORATION ) Examiner: GIBSON  
Serial Number: 10/737417 ) Art Unit: 3661  
Filed: 12/15/2003 )  
For: DRIVE SYSTEM SWITCHING CONTROL METHOD )  
Docket Number: 13693 )

**PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE TERM**

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

29 March 2006

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests an extension of the normal term for reply to the Office action dated 1 December 2005 for one-month from 1 March 2006 to 1 April 2006. Accompanying this petition is a check for \$120 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account no 04-2219, referencing our docket number 13693.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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